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administration of an alcohol test indicating an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or greater but less than 0.04.

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§ 199.227 Retention of records.

- (a) General requirement. Each operator shall maintain records of its alcohol misuse prevention program as provided in this section. The records shall be maintained in a secure location with controlled access.
- (b) *Period of retention*. Each operator shall maintain the records in accordance with the following schedule:
- (1) Five years. Records of employee alcohol test results with results indicating an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or greater, documentation of refusals to take required alcohol tests, calibration documentation, employee evaluation and referrals, and MIS annual report data shall be maintained for a minimum of five years.
- (2) Two years. Records related to the collection process (except calibration of evidential breath testing devices), and training shall be maintained for a minimum of two years.
- (3) One year. Records of all test results below 0.02 (as defined in 49 CFR part 40) shall be maintained for a minimum of one year.
- (c) Types of records. The following specific records shall be maintained:
- (1) Records related to the collection process:
 - (i) Collection log books, if used.
- (ii) Calibration documentation for evidential breath testing devices.
- (iii) Documentation of breath alcohol technician training.
- (iv) Documents generated in connection with decisions to administer reasonable suspicion alcohol tests.
- (v) Documents generated in connection with decisions on post-accident tests.
- (vi) Documents verifying existence of a medical explanation of the inability of a covered employee to provide adequate breath for testing.
 - (2) Records related to test results:
- (i) The operator's copy of the alcohol test form, including the results of the test.

- (ii) Documents related to the refusal of any covered employee to submit to an alcohol test required by this subpart.
- (iii) Documents presented by a covered employee to dispute the result of an alcohol test administered under this subpart.
- (3) Records related to other violations of this subpart.
 - (4) Records related to evaluations:
- (i) Records pertaining to a determination by a substance abuse professional concerning a covered employee's need for assistance.
- (ii) Records concerning a covered employee's compliance with the recommendations of the substance abuse professional.
- (5) Record(s) related to the operator's MIS annual testing data.
- (6) Records related to education and training:
- (i) Materials on alcohol misuse awareness, including a copy of the operator's policy on alcohol misuse.
- (ii) Documentation of compliance with the requirements of §199.231.
- (iii) Documentation of training provided to supervisors for the purpose of qualifying the supervisors to make a determination concerning the need for alcohol testing based on reasonable suspicion.
- (iv) Certification that any training conducted under this subpart complies with the requirements for such training.

§ 199.229 Reporting of alcohol testing results.

- (a) Each large operator (having more than 50 covered employees) shall submit an annual MIS report to PHMSA of its alcohol testing results using the Management Information System (MIS) form and instructions as required by 49 CFR part 40 (at §40.25 and appendix H to part 40), not later than March 15 of each year for the previous calendar year (January 1 through December 31). The Administrator may require by written notice that small operators (50 or fewer covered employees) not otherwise required to submit annual MIS reports to prepare and submit such reports to PHMSA.
- (b) Each operator that has a covered employee who performs multi-DOT